

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, ROBERT F. MARGOLSKEE and DING MING, citizens of the United States of America, residing in Upper Montclair, State of New Jersey; and Mt. Kisco, State of New York, respectively, whose post office addresses are 306 Upper Mountain Avenue, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; and ~~70 Boltis Street, Mt. Kisco, NY 10549~~ <sup>150 Sunrise Dr. Whippany, NJ 07981</sup> <sup>(D77)</sup>, respectively, have made an invention entitled "INHIBITORS OF THE BITTER TASTE RESPONSE" as set forth and described in application for Letters Patent of the United States, Serial No. 09/470,467, filed December 22, 1999 and in the United States provisional application, Serial No. 60/113,562 filed December 23, 1998; and

WHEREAS, THE MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York and having an office for the transaction of business at One Gustave L. Levy Place, New York, New York 10029-6547, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said provisional application and application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that WE, the said ROBERT F. MARGOLSKEE and DING MING, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), lawful money of the United States, to us in hand paid by said MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, and other valuable considerations unto us moving from said THE MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said THE MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention entitled "INHIBITORS OF THE BITTER TASTE RESPONSE" as set forth and described in application for Letters Patent of the United States, Serial No. 09/470,467, filed December 22, 1999 and in provisional application, Serial No. 60/113,562 filed December 23, 1998, and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to said application and any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries for said invention or improvements including all priority rights, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefor, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted;

AND WE, the said ROBERT F. MARGOLSKEE and DING MING, do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the

said Letters Patent of the United States to said THE MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said THE MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, its successors and assigns;

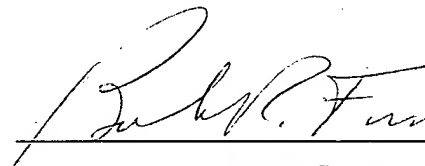
AND WE, the said ROBERT F. MARGOLSKEE and DING MING, for the considerations aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with said THE MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, its successors and assigns, that we have the full power to make this assignment, and that the rights assigned are not encumbered by any grant, license or right heretofore given, and that we, our executors or administrators, shall and will do all lawful acts and things and make, execute and deliver without further compensation, any and all other instruments in writing, further applications, papers, affidavits, powers of attorney, assignments, and other documents which, in the opinion of counsel for said THE MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, its successors and assigns, may be required or necessary more effectively to secure to and vest in said MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and improvements, applications, Letters Patent, rights, titles, benefits, privileges, and advantages hereby sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed, and that we will sign any applications for reissue which may be desired by the owner of the patent or patents which may be issued for the said invention or improvements.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE, the said ROBERT F. MARGOLSKEE and DING MING, have hereunto set our hands and seals on the date below written.

  
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 ROBERT F. MARGOLSKEE


STATE OF New York )  
 COUNTY OF New York ) ss.:

BE IT KNOWN, that on this 4th day of FEBRUARY, 2000, before me personally came ROBERT F. MARGOLSKEE, to me known and known to me to be the person mentioned in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned.

  
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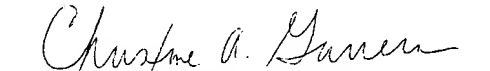
BARBARA R. FUSS  
 Notary Public, State of New York  
 No. 4961296  
 Qualified in Westchester County  
 Commission Expires 2/1/02

Notary Public

  
DING MING

STATE OF New Jersey )  
: ss.:  
COUNTY OF Union )

BE IT KNOWN, that on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2000, before me personally came DING MING, to me known and known to me to be the person mentioned in and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned.

  
Notary Public

CHRISTINE A. GURRERA  
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY  
Commission Expires 5/21/2001